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COUNTRY REPORT NO. TOPIC

1. Deutsch Wagram Airfield

2. Lauterach Wagram and Straßhof Military Posts

EVALUATION

see below

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DATE OF CONTENT

20 November 1953

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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SOURCE

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1. Between 8 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on 20 November 1953, 29 MiG-15s and 1 Yak-11 were observed at Deutsch Wagram (P 49/5 50) airfield. The sky was 5/10 overcast. After 10 a.m., there was good visibility, an easterly wind of about 8 km/h and a ceiling at an altitude of 1,500 to 2,000 meters. Individual take-offs were made by MiG-15s at 10:15 a.m. One Yak-11 took off at 11 a.m.¹ Trucks 25X1B with drivers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were observed entering and leaving the field.

2. At Deutsch Wagram military post, sentries wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were posted at the aircraft repair shops and four gray crates were observed near the installation. The road block in front of building No 28 Bahnhofstrasse was removed. A small cone-shaped antenna with a disk on top was observed on the roof of the building. Source observed for the first time a knot-like device, similar to a ball joint, on the mast. Two branch cables extended from this knot-like device into the building. A two-section metal rod, of which the upper section was about 20 cm long and the lower section about 10 cm, extended from the top of the pyramid to the center of the basis. Another cone-shaped antenna with a mast, about 8 meters high, and a disk on top was located on the other side of the road opposite the building. No branch lines were observed extending from the antenna. The rod between the top of the pyramid and the center of the basis was painted black and had no gap dividing it into two sections.² Source had the impression that the building no longer housed the komerdatura previously assumed as being there. There was considerably less traffic by personnel, particularly officers, than noticed previously. No sedans were observed entering or leaving the building which was guarded by sentries wearing black-bordered blue epaulets. At building No 19 on Bahnhofstrasse, cable lead-ins were being removed from the roof. However, there were still numerous telephone cables. The personnel observed there wore black-bordered blue epaulets. No guards were seen and no motor vehicles were observed in the building yard. The garage near the school was large enough for four motor vehicles. A van-like truck and a generator cart were parked in the garden. The noise of a running generator was heard.

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Personnel observed wore black-bordered blue epaulets. Truck [redacted] 25X1 with driver wearing black-bordered blue epaulets twice carried 10 men 25X1B wearing fur-line jackets from the airfield to the school within two hours. Around noon, 35 officers wearing blue service color entered the building No 25 on Haupt Strasse. Truck [redacted] with drivers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were parked in front of the building No 6 to 8 on Pockfliessgasse. A large dump for fire wood and coke (object No 14) was located near building No 42 on Pockfliessgasse. A sentry wearing black-bordered blue epaulets was posted next to the dismantled superstructure of a van-like truck in the dump yard. The motor vehicle parking lot in Deutsch-Wagram was guarded by sentries wearing black-bordered blue epaulets. Motor vehicles parked in the parking lot included 21 trucks, 3 van-like trucks, 9 tank trucks and 1 truck with a hoisting gear. Vehicular traffic involved trucks [redacted] 25X1 [redacted] all with drivers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets.

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3. At Strasshof military post, there was traffic between the officers' billets, the airfield and the large building by officers wearing blue service color, including 2 lieutenant colonels and 5 majors. The latter building which was guarded by sentries wearing black-bordered blue epaulets was mostly 25X1B frequented by officers wearing blue service color. Truck [redacted] and weapon-carrier [redacted] both with drivers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, were parked on the parking lot in front of the building. Two trucks and a field kitchen were parked in the sheds of the building yard. Four women wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were observed leaving the building and going to the large building. A total of 38 men wearing black-bordered blue epaulets were counted in the area of the camp. A truck [redacted] was parked there. Four van-like trucks, 5 tank trucks and 16 trucks were parked in the camp on the edge of the woods, while truck [redacted] left the camp.

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4. Between 2 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. on 26 November, 2 Yak-11s and 23 MiG-15s were observed at Deutsch-Wagram airfield. Source could not observe the eastern section of the field. There was a 0/10 overcast, a visibility range of about 15 km., and no wind. MiG-15s were observed taking off individually and in elements of twos. The take-offs and landings were made in a southwest-northeast direction. In addition to the previously reported western row of searchlights, source observed for the first time a new row of searchlights which extended parallel to, and southwest of, the runway. This new row of searchlights consisted of ten white lights from northwest to southeast and a red searchlight which was approximately the same size as the searchlight at Wiener Neustadt (0 48/X 34) airfield. The western row of searchlights was not in operation. AA gun emplacements were neither occupied nor guarded and no motor vehicles were observed nearby. Motor vehicles observed moving or being parked in the military posts included jeeps [redacted] 25X1B with drivers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets, truck [redacted] 25X1B the centroment, and truck [redacted] and tank truck [redacted] with 25X1B drivers wearing black-bordered blue epaulets in the camp on the edge of the wood. 25X1B

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1. [redacted] Comment. It is believed that Deutsch-Wagram airfield is still occupied by a Soviet fighter regiment.

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2. [redacted] Comment. For sketches of two antenna systems, see Annex.

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Antennas Observed at Deutsch Wagram Military Post

Antenna on roof of komendatura building
No 28 Bahnstrasse

metal rod
probably
of two
sections

about 30 cm
about 10 cm

knot-like device,
similar to ball joint

lead-ins

roof

Antenna at opposite
side of the road

probably rigidly
fixed roll

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